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**Board of Selectmen & Board of Finance
Special Joint Meeting
Tuesday, August 15, 2023 @ 7:00 pm
Hybrid: Town Hall – Meeting Room 1 & Via Zoom**

1. Call to Order and Roll Call Board of Selectmen

Andreas Bisbikos, First Selectman, called the meeting to order at 7:03 pm

BOS Members Present: A Bisbikos, First Selectman. D. Bates, R. Coyle, D. Turner, J. LaChapelle

Members Absent: none

2. Call to Order and Roll Call Board of Finance

Andrea Migliaccio, Chair, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm

BOF Members Present: A. Migliaccio, J. Thomas, M. Egan, M. Hayes, T. Vaillancourt, A. Shilosky

Members Absent: none

Others Present: J. Leone, Public Works Director. M. Williamson, Finance Director. T. Tarnowski, Senior Center Building Committee Chair. G. Rybacki, Bond Council

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Citizens Comments

5. Natural Gas

A. Discussion on Natural Gas Connection to the Town Hall and Senior Center with the Public Works Director

B. Action by the Board of Selectmen to Recommend Funding for Natural Gas Connection Fees to the Town of Colchester

R. Coyle moved to recommend funding for the natural gas connection fees to the Town of Colchester in the amount of \$38,705.50 out of The Capital funds reserve account from Building and Ground Maintenance, seconded by D. Turner. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

Mike Hayes moved to recommend transfer of funds in the amount of \$38,705.50 out of the Capital Funds Reserve account from Building and Ground Maintenance. Seconded by T. Vaillancourt. Unanimously Approved. MOTION CARRIED

R. Coyle moved to reconsider motion to move funds J. LaChapelle seconded. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

R. Coyle moved to recommend funding for the natural gas connection fees to the Town of Colchester in the amount of \$38,705.50 out of The Capital funds reserve account from Building and Ground Maintenance, and for the First Selectman to sign authorization to move funds, seconded by D. Turner. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

6. Senior Center Project Update

A. Project Update from Tony Tarnowski

Tony discussed monies, plans, changes and other topics regarding the Senior Center project. Open discussion for members of both Boards to ask questions regarding the project as well as possible ways to solve issues such as funds. During open discussion Jason's questions and the timeline were all included.

B. Possible Action for the Board of Finance to ask Bond Counsel to Draft a Proposed Resolution for a Future Senior Center Referendum

R. Coyle recommended a referendum of up to 1.5 million dollar appropriation financed by Bonds, Grants, Donations or any way we so choose. D. Bates seconded. Unanimously Approved. MOTION CARRIED

M. Egan moved to have bond counsel draft a proposal to move forward with the Senior center referendum, seconded by J. Thomas. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED

C. Next Steps

The next steps in the Senior Center project are to devise a Plan B and possible C, and to bring it to referendum.

7. Citizens Comments

8. Adjournment

Board of Selectman, R. Coyle moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 pm, seconded by D. Bates. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED.

Board of Finance, A. Shilosky moved to adjourn the meeting at 10:08 pm, seconded by T. Valliancourt. Unanimously approved. MOTION CARRIED